

CONSERVATION EASEMENT

STATE OF FLORIDA:

COUNTY OF LEON:

WITNESSETH:

For and in consideration of the mutual promises and other good and valuable consideration as set forth herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Grantor does hereby grant to the Grantee, its successors and assigns, a perpetual Conservation Easement in accordance with Section 704.06, Florida Statutes, over and across the real property more particularly described on Exhibit "A", which is attached hereto and expressly incorporated herein, on the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth:

The following activities are prohibited within this easement, pursuant to Section 704.06, Florida Statutes:

- 1. Construction or placing of buildings, roads, signs, billboards or other advertising, utilities, or other structures above or on the ground.
- 2. Dumping or placing of soil or other substance or material as landfill, or dumping or placing of trash, waste, or unsightly or offensive materials.
- 3. Removal or destruction of trees, shrubs, or other vegetation
- 4. Excavation, dredging, or removal of loam, peat, gravel, soil, rock, or other material substance in such matter as to affect the surface.
- 5. Surface use except for purposes that permit the land or water area to remain predominately in its natural condition.
- 6. Activities detrimental to drainage, flood control, water conservation, erosion control, soil conservation, or fish and wildlife conservation habitat preservation.
- 7. Acts or uses detrimental to such retention of land or water areas.
- 8. Acts or uses detrimental to the preservation of the structural integrity or physical appearance of sites or properties of historical, architectural, archeological, or cultural significance.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the activities set forth in Exhibit "B", which is attached hereto and expressly incorporated herein, shall be allowed within the easement. Exhibit "B" also addresses other terms and conditions of this easement.

It is understood that the granting of this easement entitles the Grantee to enter the above-described land in a reasonable manner and at reasonable times to assure compliance with the conditions of this easement.

Grantor hereby fully warrants the title to said real property and will defend the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever claimed by, through or under it, that it has good rights and lawful authority to grant this easement and that the same is unencumbered.



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Where the context of this easement requires, allows or permits, the same shall include the successors or assigns of the parties.

The easement granted hereby shall run with the land and shall enure to the benefit of the Grantee and its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor har affixed hereto on the day and year first above where the state of the state o	as caused these covenants to be executed and its seal to be written.
	GRANTOR
WITNESSES: Chary May (Sign) Tracy Wheeler (Print Name)	Vernon Virginia Rhoden (Name typewritten) Wynon Virginia Rhoden (Signature) (Signature) (Signature) (Print Name)
STATE OF Florida	
COUNTY OF LEON	
The foregoing instrument was acknow	ledged before me this <u>3</u> day of <u>February</u> , 200 X ,5
by Vernon Virginia Rhoden (name of person acknowledging)	who is personally known to me or who has produced
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(type of identification produced)	
(Signature of Notary)	
Tracy Wheeler (Print Type Commission in De 1477 Pary) Expires June 14, 2006 Bonded Troy Pain - Insurance, Inc. 800-395-7019	This Instrument was prepared by:
(Title or Rank)	Herbert W. A. Thiele, Esq., County Attorney Leon County Attorney=s Office 301 South Monroe Street
(Serial Number, If Any)	Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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EXHIBIT "B"

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

The purpose of this plan is to prevent erosion of steep slopes while maintaining native vegetation and controlling invasive exotic plants. This plan also allows for control of nuisance or weedy native plants in order to encourage development of a healthy forest community. To achieve these goals, vegetation management activities within the conservation easement may include the techniques listed below. Any deviation from the activities listed must be approved by the Leon County Growth and Environmental Management (LCGEM) Department.

Control and Eradication of Invasive Exotic Plant Species

- Invasive exotic species are recognized as those listed by the Florida
 Exotic Pest Plant Council on their <u>List of Invasive Species</u> or its successor. Any additional invasive exotic plant species proposed to be treated or removed must first be approved by LCGEM.
- 2) Small plants may be pulled from the ground by hand. For larger plants that aren't easily pulled by hand, any obvious clusters of fruits or seeds may be clipped from their tops. These plants along with their fruits and seed parts must be placed in plastic garbage bags and disposed of in a landfill. Attention should be made to ensure that any plant materials, including fruits or seeds are not dispersed into other areas during removal from the site.
- 3) Large shrubs or extensive patches which cannot be managed by hand may be treated with an herbicide designed for such purposes and must be used in accordance with the manufacturer's directions. LCGEM should be contacted with questions regarding the specific types of herbicides to use and appropriate methods of treatment.

Control of Native Nuisance Plant Species

- 1) Native nuisance species shall be recognized as catbriar (Smilax spp.), grapevine (Vitis spp.), blackberry (Rubus spp.), virginia creeper (Parthenocissus quinquefolia), trumpet vine (Campsis radicans), poison ivy (Toxicodendron radicans), and poison oak (Toxicodendron toxicarium).
- 2) Plants may be pulled from the ground by hand, clipped, or if absolutely necessary treated with an appropriate herbicide as described in #3 above.

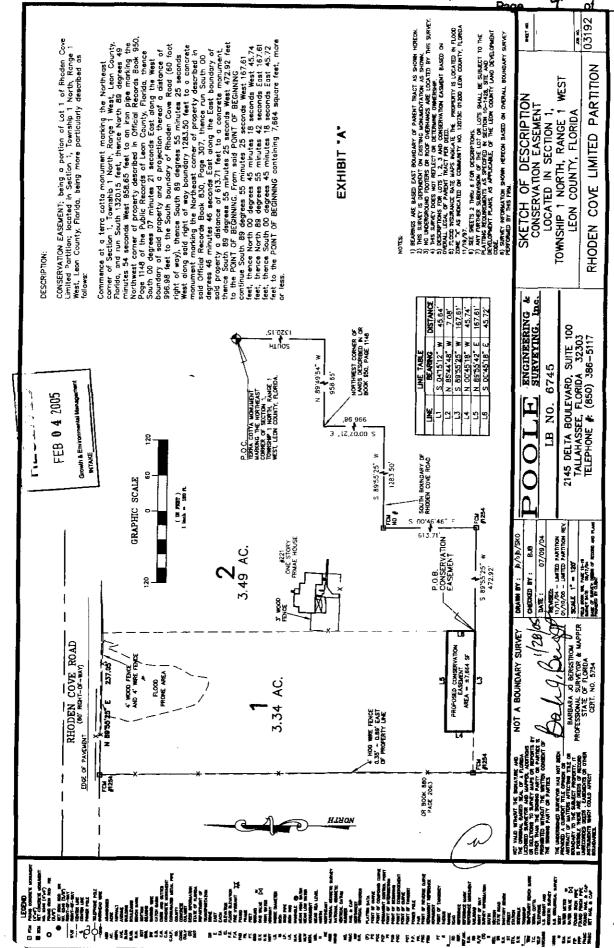
Thinning and Control of Weedy Hardwoods

Sweetgum (Liquidambar styraciflua) trees which are less than 4' diameter at breast height (DBH) may be cut with hand tools at ground level. No soil disturbance or use of heavy equipment is allowed within the management areas.

Pruning of Hazardous Limbs

Dead or dying tree limbs which pose a potential hazard may be removed. Any such pruning shall be performed by a licensed professional in accordance with accepted arboricultural practices as defined by the National Arboricultural Standards.

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